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NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 33

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Two BRASS KNOB missions, [REDACTED]
Preliminary analysis of aerial photography from these missions reveals the following items of interest:

1. HOLGUIN AIRFIELD

No shipping crates visible. No aircraft observed. Cloud cover precludes further interpretation.

2. SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD

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No aircraft and no fuselage crates observed on airfield. Seven possible fuselage crates and two possible fuselages were observed on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Facilities apparently remain unchanged since [REDACTED]

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3. CAIBARIEN PORT

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No military equipment or unusual activity observed. There are no large vessels in port. No apparent change in facilities since [REDACTED]

4. CARDENAS PORT

One freighter tied up at pier. Twenty-five railroad cars -- eight alongside freighter -- observed on pier. No military activity or equipment noted. Port facilities remain unchanged since [REDACTED]

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5. CASILDA PORT

No large vessels in harbor. No apparent change in facilities since [REDACTED] Obliquity and poor image quality preclude further interpretation.

6. CIENFUEGOS PORT

Two Kronstadt-class PC, three PT boats, and one possible coast guard cutter were observed in port. No large vessels were present.

7. HAVANA PORT

No report. Area was cloud covered.

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8. LA ISABELA PORT

No unusual activity noted in port area or on access roads. No large vessels observed in port. No military activity or construction noted in port area.

9. MARIEL PORT

No report. Area was cloud covered.

10. MATANZAS PORT

Seven cylindrical crates and other unidentified material observed in open storage. Three open-bed tractor trailers and three mobile cranes located on quay on north side of bay. One freighter is docked at pier on the north side of Matanzas Bay and another is underway in the bay. No deck cargo was observed on either of these vessels. There has been no apparent change in facilities at Matanzas Port since [REDACTED]

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11. NUEVITAS PORT

One freighter at northernmost pier. Obliquity and small scale preclude identification of deck cargo.

12. SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT

Two freighters noted in port -- one at quay on north side of harbor and one at pier on east side. One barge and two ore carriers on northwest side of harbor and numerous small craft also observed.

13. ARTEMISA MILITARY CAMP

No report. Area was cloud covered.

14. HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP

Tank and vehicle count remains unchanged from that of [REDACTED]

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15. MAYARI ARriba MILITARY INSTALLATION

No report. Area was cloud covered.

16. REMEDIOS AREA MILITARY CAMP

The number of vehicles/equipment in the area remains approximately the same as on [REDACTED] Construction is continuing on seven barracks.

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17. SANTA BRIGIDA MILITARY CAMP

No missile-related activity observed.

18. CASILDA MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA

Area contains twenty-four possible oxidizer trailers and 35 cargo or other vehicles -- the same count as of [REDACTED] Also present are nine large and one medium-size tents and two buildings. 25X1D

STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

PI readout of Missions [REDACTED] is complete. Immediate photographic interpretation reports (IPIRs) on these missions will be published as NPIC/R-1127/62 and NPIC/R-1128/62. 25X1D

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